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Subject: Objection to new gas station

To whom it may concern,

I'm writing to you in regards about the talk of the new gas station DP Murphy is wanting to put in Borden, Prince Edward Island.

As a resident of Albany, PE, I can speak for myself (and others) when I say we depend on service stations in the rural areas. There is a business down the road from me, and it has been there since the 1930's.

Ceretti's Grocery and Hardware is a locally owned business (onto the third generation) who sells everything from gas, grocery items, tools, fresh meats, and even clothes. It has everything anyone could ever want. They are not a "get in and get out" kind of place. You are always welcome, are greeted with a friendly hello and sometimes even a handshake. They want to know their customers and listen to us when taking in new products. They aren't about numbers when it comes to their customers. they are about quality interaction.

Having Chad Ceretti and his store conveniently down the road from me, has saved me many trips to Summerside or Charlottetown. When shopping there, we see many local products, which is wonderful for such a small Island. It's Islanders helping Islanders.

It would be completely pointless for another restaurant from DP Murphy to be placed in such a small community, as there is one just minutes up the road. This would place a risk of a small, family owned business, to lose their well established business.

I hope this is taken into consideration.

Thank you, and have a good evening.

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